

## ABSTRACT

A novel and useful mechanism for detecting intrusion and jamming attempts by an imposter node. A time window defined as an emergency window is reserved after the end of a packet and before an acknowledgement window. Nodes that detect the presence of an intruder transmit an emergency packet during the emergency time window to inform the receive node that the packet it received was sent from an imposter node. Attempts to jam the transmission of the emergency packet from the victim node to the receive node are detected by listening during the emergency window time period for carrier signal that indicates that an emergency packet is trying to be sent. An emergency packet request message is sent in response so the victim node resends the emergency packet.